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THE CHARIOTS IN THE BROAD WAYS

"They Shall Seem Like Torches, They Shall Run Like The Lightnings"

(See Inside Cover)

Modern Chariots

HOW MANY ARE AWARE, as they drive along in automobiles on our modern highways, that the Prophet Nahum, who recorded the prophecies given him by the Lord many generations before the birth of Christ, foresaw these modern vehicles speeding along the broad ways? Yet this prophet did point to the time when this mode of conveyance would be a commonly-used means of transportation and he declared it would be a sign that the day of the Lord's preparation had come, leading to His Second Advent.

At the turn of the twentieth century automobiles began to make their appearance in increasing numbers and by the year 1909 mass production accelerated the multiplication of these modern chariots upon our streets. It was prophesied that they would far exceed in number the vehicles of transportation of all the centuries of the past and by the end of the first half of the twentieth century millions of automobiles were racing to and fro upon our highways. Each year since then millions more have rolled off the assembly lines in the great centers of manufacture.

Turning to the words spoken by Nahum, one realizes that, hidden in what is regarded as a statement concerning the dwellers in Nineveh and the predicted destruction of their city, there is a most remarkable prophecy describing speeding automobiles with their headlights projecting strong beams of light before them:

"The chariots shall be with flaming torches in the day of his preparation. . . . The chariots shall rage in the streets, they shall jostle one against another in the broad ways: they shall seem like torches, they shall run like the lightnings." (Nahum 2: 3-4.)

In the Septuagint Bible there is an interesting rendering of this passage: "The chariots will jostle together and be entangled with one another in the streets. The appearance of them is like flaming torches and like streamy lightning."

Standing beside one of our modern turnpikes at night, all one can see rushing toward him on these broad ways are the glaring headlights streaming out before the swiftly approaching cars. Moving at high speeds which would seem incredibly fast to the prophet, he described them as "running like the lightnings." Without the utilization of the power that manifests itself in the lightning flash — that is, electricity — it would be impossible

to have the automobile as we know it today, with not only its headlights like flaming torches, but all of its electrical accessories as well.

The reference to rapid transit readily describes automobiles traveling 50 to 60 miles an hour, and even faster — speeds which would have been considered fantastic in the generation of the Prophet Nahum. He even gives a very apt description of the many collisions which make up the records of auto accidents today when he says, "They will jostle together and be entangled with one another in the streets."

The verse that follows lends itself to a very interesting application when applied to the same generation which has seen the highways filled with automobiles. Have you ever boarded a bus and, before you could reach your seat, the busman would start to drive forward, making you stumble in your walk as you lurched toward your seat? This would cause you to hastily grab the strap or handle fastened to the wall in order to steady yourself. Read the following verse with this in mind and with the knowledge that in some cities the conductors count their passengers as they board the bus in order not to overload it:

"He shall recount his worthies: they shall stumble in their walk; they shall make haste to the wall thereof, and the defence shall be prepared." (Nahum 2: 5.)

But the achievements in the fields of endeavor which have produced the beautiful and comfortable motorcars which are such a convenience to modern civilization have by no means been equalled by the same degree of spiritual progress reflected in an understanding of the words of the prophets of the Lord. Thus, very few sitting behind the wheels of their automobiles are aware that they are actually participating in a demonstration of the fact that the time has arrived when an age is about to end.

Nevertheless, it is of utmost importance to comprehend what is involved in this aspect of modern civilization which is a sign that this is the "day of His preparation." Every known prophecy pertaining to the consummation of the age focuses upon this twentieth century, with the present generation outstandingly marked as "the generation upon which the end of the age has come." Step by step the Almighty Lord is moving to bring to pass those events which are to be climaxed by His Second Advent.

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THE MARCH OF HISTORY

AN UNTENABLE POSITION

IN DESTINY for April 1957 attention was called to Daniel's prophecy (12: 7) concerning the breaking in pieces of the power of the Holy People (see editorial, "A Major Event Sign"). While we dealt primarily in that editorial with the apparent decline in the power and prestige of Great Britain, it should be understood that this prediction applies equally to the United States of America. Our nation is not to escape the effect of this verdict, for we too are to be eclipsed for a time as a result of the failure to conform with the Divine purpose.

In his address on television and over the radio on February 20, 1957, President Eisenhower set forth the factors that will make the fulfillment of Daniel's prophecy inevitable insofar as the United States of America is concerned. He said in part:

"The United Nations must not fail. I believe that—in the interests of peace—the United Nations has no choice but to exert pressure upon Israel to comply with the withdrawal resolution. . . . When Israel completes its withdrawal, it will have removed a definite block to further progress. Once this block is removed, there will be serious and creative tasks for the United Nations to perform. . . . It is an issue which can be solved if only we will apply the principles of the United Nations. That is why, my fellow Americans, I know you want the United States to continue to use the maximum influence to sustain these principles as the world's best hope of peace."

In the course of his address (which, by the way, MAY 1957

makes most interesting reading in the light of subsequent developments following the Israeli withdrawal from Gaza and the Gulf of Aqaba) the President said:

"The United Nations faces immediately the problem of what to do next. If it does nothing—if it accepts the ignoring of its repeated resolutions calling for the withdrawal of invading forces, then it will have admitted failure. That failure would be a blow to the authority and influence of the United Nations in the world and to the hopes which humanity placed in the United Nations as the means of achieving peace with justice."

But in view of the prior refusal of Soviet Russia, along with Egypt and India, to heed UN resolutions, the utter impotency of the United Nations had already been demonstrated before the eyes of the world.

By tying our nation's hopes for peace to the tail of the United Nations' kite, the prestige, the power and the might of the United States will suffer an eclipse when the frail string keeping that kite aloft finally snaps. Then the fulfillment of Daniel's forecast of the breaking of the power of the Holy People will come about insofar as this western branch of the House of Israel upon the North American continent is concerned.

Because the United States has undertaken to give all-out support to the United Nations' endeavors, we are now inextricably implicated in all coming UN failures. Ezekiel refers to the UN as a wall built with untempered mortar that will collapse when the storms of war arise in all their fury. He states that although this wall has been built by the leaders of God's people

in an endeavor to establish world peace, the Lord declares these leaders have deceived His people and have led them astray by engendering false hopes. Thus, the leaders of His people are condemned:

"Because, even because they have seduced my people, saying, Peace; and there was no peace; and one built up a wall, and, lo, others daubed it with untempered mortar: say unto them which daub it with untempered mortar, that it shall fall: there shall be an overflowing shower; and ye, O great hailstones, shall fall; and a stormy wind shall rend it. Lo, when the wall is fallen, shall it not be said unto you, Where is the daubing wherewith ye have daubed it? Therefore thus saith the Lord God; I will even rend it with a stormy wind in my fury; and there shall be an overflowing shower in mine anger, and great hailstones in my fury to consume it. So will I break down the wall that ye have daubed with untempered mortar, and bring it down to the ground, so that the foundation thereof shall be discovered, and it shall fall, and ye shall be consumed in the midst thereof: and ye shall know that I am the Lord." (Ez. 13: 10-14.)

It was the former administration under President Roosevelt that fabricated the wall, but it was reserved for the present administration, with President Eisenhower at its head, to try to uphold this wall of weakness by plastering it over with untempered mortar in the form of the support he is giving to it today to bolster up its authority. But when the storm of final conflict breaks in its full fury, this wall of untempered mortar will be completely destroyed. The Prophet Ezekiel states that those who built it and those who endeavor to give it substantial support will be overwhelmed in its downfall. This will be the complete breaking of the power of both major branches of the Holy People—Britain and the United States—and, according to the Prophet Daniel, it will be the signal that the end has come.

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PUMP PRIMING

ONE OFTEN HEARS the theory advocated that the government will prevent any real recession by easing up on credit, cutting taxes and turning to pump priming by stepping up its own spending.

However, government spending depends primarily upon the amount of taxes received. A business recession would affect tax intake by the government and treasury revenue would immediately take a downward plunge. This is because revenue for the government is largely based upon income tax payments received from individuals and corporations and today government finance is so closely intertwined with the people's prosperity through the pay-as-you-go principle of the present income tax system that a down-turn in business, with shrinking profits, would have instantaneous repercussions upon government revenue.

In order to prevent a financial crisis in government, it is essential for government to prevent a business recession but, under certain conditions, if the public refrains from purchasing goods as a result of increased inflation, what then? Can the government continue to finance greater spending if their source of revenue is

drastically cut by the inability of merchants to move their goods and reap a profit? Government guarantees of deposits, and even social security itself, might become meaningless if a recession really developed into an economic panic. The proverbial drunken sailor on a spending spree cannot begin to compare with the extravagance of the welfare state, whose demands upon the people for more and more money are insatiable.

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STRANGE LIGHT

OUT OF THE north comes the following tale of a strange light as it was recently reported by Paul Harvey on his radio broadcast of March 3, 1957:

"[These were] 'northern lights' as they have never been displayed before, not the Aurora Borealis, familiar in the northland of Alaska; not the customary northern lights for this season where folks seldom see the sun; something else, a new and awesome display of colored lights, red, covering 90% of the horizon 60 degrees high. Looks like the whole landscape is afire; lasts several hours each night. The oldest Eskimos say they never saw anything like it; some are frightened by it."

There is a veiled but provocative reference in the Scriptures to the north:

"Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of his holiness. Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, *on the sides of the north*, the city of the great King." (Ps. 48: 1-2.)

While these verses have been considered as referring to Mount Zion at Jerusalem, and the Temple there, yet commentators have been greatly puzzled to show in what sense Zion, or the temple, could be said to be the joy of the whole earth. However, if we make the broader application of which Mount Zion, Jerusalem and the Temple are but types, then our attention is directed to Isaiah's statement regarding Lucifer:

"For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation *in the sides of the north*: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High." (Isa. 14: 13-14.)

Why is there a reference here to the north as the place where Lucifer aspires to set his throne so that he may be likened to the Most High? Is it by accident that all world maps show the north as *up* and the south as *down*? Why, for instance, do those who dwell in Australia speak of living "down under"?

The Psalmist speaks of the north and the south as created by the Lord (Ps. 89: 12). Afterwards he refers to God's throne as being established in justice and judgment, coupled with mercy and truth.

When the outshining Glory of the Lord's presence is made manifest, will its appearance be seen first in the north? These questions are thought-provoking and a factor contributing to their importance is Daniel's statement that the King of the north (Soviet Russia) will be disturbed by tidings *out of the north* and east that will trouble him, causing him to go forth in great fury. Will the tidings from the north have to do with the outshining Glory of the coming of the Lord?

Time will tell. Meantime, one might meditate with profit upon Esdras' declaration that in the coming Battle of That Great Day of God Almighty the northern hordes will be aware of the identity of the One against whom they are fighting. He states:

"They which were gathered together to subdue him [the Son of man] were sore afraid, and yet durst fight." (II Esdras 13: 8.)

Is it to be evidence from the supernatural realm that creates this fear? Will this constitute the tidings from the north that will send the Soviet hordes forth in great fury? The appearance of the strange light in the north that has been terrifying to local inhabitants is of more than passing interest to those who are watching for evidence indicating the soon appearing of the Sign of the Son of man in heaven.

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MIRAGE VS. REALITY

It is usually a thankless task to oppose the pronouncements of experts (so-called), but if we are to be faithful to our assignment as watchmen in Israel, we have no recourse but to state the truth. The consensus of opinion today is that there is great prosperity ahead for our nation, with wonderful expansion, increased wages and good times on the agenda for years to come. Economic experts are saying that, other than temporary dips in the cycle of expansion, a depression is impossible. In his radio broadcast of February 24, 1957, Paul Harvey ably set forth the case of the experts who predict a glorious economic future. He said in part:

"Twenty economists with reputations for guessing right more often than wrong were questioned and here is the consensus. There is inflation in your future, creeping inflation, comparatively painless, but it will discriminate against retired persons with fixed incomes and favor the individual who invests in the stock market. It will favor the ownership of things rather than cash. It doesn't diminish the importance of a proper balance; money in the bank is an important cushion, a shock absorber to tide us over the rough spots. If we have this insurance, then investment is justified."

Mr. Harvey went on to point out that these experts see nothing but an expanding prosperity that will eclipse anything experienced in the past. He continued:

"Kiplinger predicts a trillion dollar economy by 1977, when the average factory worker's wage will rise from the present \$85 to \$185 a week. Yes, the second half of 1957 may not set new records; you cannot rush up hill without a pause here and there to catch your breath. But whatever cyclical or seasonable fluctuations, the secular trend is upward and for as far across the horizon as anybody can see."

Mr. Harvey then added his own comment that, in view of the present achievements of science, new inventions, stepped-up production and a rising population, together with the still unexplored frontiers of electronics and chemistry, and the unharnessed atom, anyone with so little faith that he bets against all this doesn't deserve to share in it. It is definitely true that the outlook for a glorious future, with the human race in possession of ways and means of expanding the wealth of all the people in ways undreamed of in the past, was

never more promising. We have as yet only scratched the surface, as it were, of the wonderful possibilities that lie before us.

But—and this is the fly in the ointment—it is impossible for the human race, under present conditions, to step over the threshold into such a new order of prosperity and well-being. The reason for this is that, until we discard the system under which humanity lives today, the ecclesiastical, political and economic aspects of which, in Scriptural symbolism, are given the title of Great Babylon (see Revelation 18), the blessings of industrial know-how and the benefits of the findings of science cannot be realized in the life of all the people.

Nineteen years ago, in DESTINY for October 1938, the following appraisal of modern civilization was made. What was written then is just as true now in spite of the marvelous advancements made during these last two decades:

"Men boast of the wonderful scientific developments of today and label all this *civilization*. It cannot be denied that men have made marvelous advancements during the last century in all arts and sciences, but all this is only the acquiring of a wealth of knowledge and understanding of the marvels of nature.

"What, then, is civilization? The dictionary defines it as 'The act, process, or production of civilizing; the lifting up of man, mentally, morally and socially.' Tried against this standard, much that is today called *civilization* is far from it in the practice and use to which inventions have been put. This is borne out by another definition: 'Civilization is the humanization of man in society, the satisfaction for him in society of the true law of human nature.'

"True civilization, then, does not consist in the possession of an abundance of material wealth. It is not represented alone in scientific achievement, nor is it manifested in the development of natural resources and power. What, then, is the basis of real civilization? The fact is, there can be a real and true civilization without the above physical developments, for it rests solely in the qualities of administration and of laws that bring to a people justice, establish equity, and judgment in righteousness. Without such, there can be no true mental, moral or social justice for man, regardless of physical achievements.

"Setting aside laws fundamental to righteousness, with imperfection in administration, will bring suffering and want to a people in spite of mechanical development or scientific attainment. The present world situation and suffering amply justify this statement.

"Our type of civilization is doomed because of the inability of men under this order to meet the administrative needs of the present hour. The present false economic and political system is destined to pass away. However, its passing does not mean the complete destruction of all those things that are yet to contribute to the comfort and happiness of man. For while modern civilization is doomed, the blessings of that civilization will survive its destruction. . . .

"Politically we fine the prosperous, penalize the industrious and reward the shiftless. This we call *taxation*. Under the system we confiscate the property of the unfortunate who are unable to meet government levies. We then make them subjects of charity and call ourselves *benevolent*.

"We build hospitals for the sick. Then we allow men to devitalize our foods and sell injurious medicines and dope to the people in a thousand different ways for financial gain. As a people we completely ignore every requirement God laid down for our health. This we call *civilization*.

"The people are taken, as it were, to the top of the mountain and shown the wonderful scientific developments of the present age. To the many it is only a vision or a mirage. We have failed to provide them with economic independence, so they are unable to acquire the benefits of these blessings. This we call *progress*.

"Men and nations have taken the results of scientific discovery and devised methods of destruction that would put to shame the barbarians of earlier times. They are prepared to outdo the savages in their savagery and we label our civilization *Christian*.

"It is not necessary to list all that we suffer because of crime and maladministration under laws which are inadequate for the present day. The important fact is that all this evil is to pass away. Men may be concerned, but God has declared its destruction. He has specifically determined the time of its passing and designated that time as the Consummation of the Age."

With the passing of the present order, the prophets all looked forward to the coming of a new order when righteousness will be established throughout the earth, when men will not labor in vain, nor bring forth for sorrow. In that day those who administer the affairs of state will be righteous and the din of violence shall no more be heard in the land. Yes, the future is glorious, but the vision seen by those who try to contemplate its coming marvels will only become a reality when we pass over the threshold into the New Order of the Ages.

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TELLING THE TIME

WHAT WOULD HISTORY mean to you if there were no way of knowing when, as well as where, the recorded events took place? Would you maintain interest in your newspaper if the news you read carried no date-line? What good would a table of train service be if the hours of the arrival and departure of the trains were not listed? How long could you live without confusion in your home if you were to remove every clock, calendar, and all other means of telling time, from your house?

What would be true in these instances is doubly true of prophecy in the Bible, particularly so in these momentous times as the age comes to its close. Recently we were reading the utterances of one purporting to deal with prophecy who, in commenting upon present world developments, made the statement:

"I am not in any sense interested in dates."

He then went on to say:

"I believe we have entered the period of time which the Bible calls the Time of the End. How long that period will last, we are not sure; therefore, the dating can be left alone."

Naturally he cannot be sure of anything for, lacking an understanding of Biblical chronology, the whole matter becomes nebulous and uncertain. How can he, or anyone else of like mind, actually know whether or not we have entered the Time of the End if the time factors given by Daniel and other prophets, including the revelation granted to John, are completely ignored? That information was given for the purpose of alerting the watchers concerning the nature of hap-

penings which would mark the beginning and ending of the Time of the End. Events alone will not supply the needed evidence for, without the timing which reveals their relationship to other events in the out-working of the Divine plan, it is impossible to declare that they are the major fulfillment of expectations.

It has been the very lack of timing in the past, purposely withheld in the providence of God until the Time of the End, that has led generation after generation to expect the ending of the age in their own day. However, the prophets clearly indicate that, when the time had definitely come, in the providence of God the perfection of Divine timing would be revealed to His servants the prophets,* so that they could, as watchmen, sound an alarm.

Thus, with the arrival of the time for events to fulfill the needed signs, the synchronization of those events through chronological timing would become evident and certify to the accuracy of the prophetic fulfillment in accord with the warning of the prophets. Without a knowledge of chronology today, as well as an understanding of the modern identity of Israel as the race of the Book apart from the Jews, the meaning of what is transpiring around us is imperfectly understood. It cannot be otherwise.

Those who decry the application of chronological evidence which determines the pattern of events do so because of their inability to fully comprehend the meaning of the "times and seasons"—a phrase used by our Lord which presupposes an understanding of timing. These, Jesus said, God "hath put in His own power," but the Prophet Daniel was told by the Angel that at the Time of the End that which was purposely hidden by God would be revealed to the wise.

Many Christian leaders today are woefully out of step with the progress of events in accordance with the schedule of the Divine agenda outlined for us in the Scriptures. This is due to their failure to grasp fundamental truths, not the least of which is the factor of timing revealed to the watchmen today.

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EIGHTY-FIVE BILLION

HOW MUCH is a billion dollars? This question has often been asked, but the sum is beyond the comprehension of the average individual. Yet the United States of America is going to spend \$85,000,000,000 in its next fiscal year. The amount asked for in the budget was \$72,000,000,000.

It is impossible to fully visualize the amount involved. Perhaps, however, through the following illustration, based upon the new census figures of the population of the United States, we may secure a faint idea as to what this amount really signifies by relating it to each individual in our land.

The total population of the United States is now 170,000,000, including all ages, even the babies in their cradles. The \$85,000,000,000 budget figure represents
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*See "Seer, Prophet and Watchman," DESTINY for February 1957, p. 31.

Month By Month •

by A. R. H.

AT THE TIME of writing this report a "summit conference" is being held in Cairo by Arab rulers to hear news brought by King Saud of Arabia, arriving via Spain and Libya, on return from his visit to the United States. Among the "kings of the East," or ruling heads of Arab states present, will be King Hussein of Jordan, President Kuwatli of Syria and President Nasser of Egypt.

For anyone who prefers to see problems presented in clear-cut black and white outlines, the world scene today more often seems to present to the observer a baffling kaleidoscope of flux and fluctuation. Flux is the essence of any scene which changes. But the fluctuations in the picture of world events appear less confusing when we look at it with the analogy of a game of chess in mind. Moves made by the contestants change the position of the pieces moved in their interrelationship one with another, but the identity of the pieces remains the same to the end of the game. It is the mutual interchange in relationship alone which alters with each move that the players make.

Libya and Ethiopia

Immediately prior to World War II both Libya and Ethiopia were "at the steps" of Fascist Italy and represented footholds or vital bases for the Axis powers in their plans for domination of the Middle East. With the defeat of Rommel at El Alamein, the British appointed King Idris of the Sennussi tribes as ruler in Libya. Simultaneously with the defeat of the Italians in Abyssinia by another British army, the Emperor of Ethiopia was restored to his throne.

Today both Libya and Ethiopia are still "pawns" in what Sir Stafford Cripps once called "the Satanic game of world power politics," and pawns in the game they will remain until the great deliverance of the final climax. Meanwhile, as described in previous articles of this series, the penetration of Soviet propaganda and political influence continues to infiltrate both countries. Indeed, impending developments in Abyssinia are highlighted by the imminent visit, as a countermove, of the U. S. Vice-President, Mr. Nixon. Thus a dispatch from the *Daily Telegraph* Special Correspondent in Addis Ababa informs us:

"Emperor Haile Selassie accuses Egypt of fomenting subversion in Ethiopia, saying that Col. Nasser's government is trying to stir up the large Moslem minority with the aim of dismembering this Christian kingdom. Last November Ethiopia demanded the recall of the Egyptian military attaché, Lt. Col. Ahmed Aziz Hilmi, and he has not been replaced. The long range aim of Cairo's subversive propaganda is the detachment of heavily Moslem areas in the southeast of Ethiopia, which would be incorporated within a greater Somalia, subservient to Egypt.

"The Emperor has appealed for vastly increased American military aid to preserve Ethiopian independence and says he has tried to impress on two American generals the urgency of obtaining arms quickly."

Although the current popular delusion persists that the scare of Communist infiltration into the Mideast is an illusion, or at the most "grossly exaggerated," factual reports to hand tend to contradict rather than confirm the comforting sense of reassurance these denials from official sources are intended to convey. Thus writing under the heading: "Worried Rulers in Cairo," Martin Moore, reporting from Beirut, asserts authoritatively:

"King Hussein of Jordan comes to Cairo a frightened young man, frightened of absorption by his Syrian and Egyptian neighbors, frightened of his anti-royalist Palestinian subjects, frightened of the Communism that is spreading among them. He is also desperately anxious about Jordan's economic status.

"The King's extraordinary action in writing an open letter, warning his Premier of the danger of Communism, is seen here as a frantic S.O.S., beamed on the United States. It was a bid for American sympathy and the dollars the king hopes will go with it. The British subsidy has ceased and nobody believes that the help which Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Syria promised to replace it will result in much hard cash. It is cash that Jordan urgently needs. After March there will be difficulty in meeting the army payroll."

Major Military Base

Any lingering doubts as to whether or not Soviet Russia is actively engaged in plans for military intervention in the Mideast arena were effectively dispelled by the recent announcement that, as a result of the visit to Moscow by Shukri el Kuwatli, the Kremlin had signed an agreement taking over a vital strategic base in Syria.

As a *News Chronicle* Special Correspondent spotlights the story:

"Russia has answered the Eisenhower plan for the Middle East by persuading Syria to lease her a major military base in the Latakia region, about 70 miles across the Mediterranean from Cyprus. Russian fighters and bombers with large numbers of Soviet and Czech officers are already there. This agreement is Russia's reply to King Saud's visit to Washington which, it is said, has undermined the military alliance between Egypt, Syria, Jordan and Saudi Arabia. And it will give Russia a base for her plan for the Middle East. All foreign troops, it is said, should be withdrawn from the area."

Stand and Fight

Equally striking is the dispatch from the *Times* representative in Vienna, Antony Terry, who avers:

"A former senior German SS officer, engaged in training Egyptian and German commando units for guerilla warfare against the French in North Africa, tells of extensive Soviet arms deliveries to Egypt since the beginning of this year. This officer, who lives in Cairo and is visiting Vienna, claims that five hundred new MIG 19 jet fighters and other armaments have arrived to replace the Egyptian losses during the Anglo-French attack. Russian aid is being delivered

free in return for an undertaking to convert Egyptian forces entirely to Russian and Czech equipment. A secret agreement to this effect was ratified between the two countries in January last."

Perhaps the full significance of this replacement of losses emerges as we consider the implications of the collateral statement which follows:

"Among the undertakings given by the Russians is that in future military operations the Soviet jet pilots, technicians and ground staffs will not abandon their posts as they did during the Anglo-French landings, when they escaped to the Sudan rather than risk capture. THEY ARE TO STAND AND FIGHT WITH THE EGYPTIANS."

German Fedayeen Units

The disclosure that German commandos are being trained to fight in North Africa with the Egyptian fedayeen (commando) units again takes on added significance in view of the following conversation overheard at a diplomatic reception in London on a recent occasion: *"Germany and Russia are traditional friends. So if you ever want to know anything—particularly if the British give you the cold shoulder—come to me."* Who said that and to whom was it said? It was said to the West German military attaché, Colonel Boehme, by General Rogov, the Soviet military attaché, in London.

So it is clearly seen that, in spite of all the patently misleading and false official denials to the contrary, the Washington correspondent to the New York *Daily News* definitely knew what he was talking about when, last November, he maintained:

"The Russians are operating to a timetable which will put control of the Middle East oil fields into their hands within the next ten months, and they are prepared to fight to keep control."

It is May now. So, according to that original timeschedule, there are four months yet to go to zero hour.

Mideast Battlegrounds

Commenting on this timing-factor, a Washington correspondent to the London *Times* amplified as follows:

"The same correspondent [*Daily News*] quotes military sources here [Washington] that Britain and France built up their forces in the eastern Mediterranean, not to threaten Egypt BUT TO COUNTER A RUSSIAN ATTACK. This also gained support from a report from London [also quoted in the New York *Daily News*] that BRITAIN KNEW OF A RUSSIAN PLAN TO SEND HEAVY AIR REINFORCEMENTS TO EGYPT AS SOON AS THE ISRAELIS ATTACKED AND THAT THE R.A.F. DESTROYED THE EGYPTIAN AIRFIELDS TO PREVENT RUSSIAN AIRCRAFT FROM USING THEM."

Viewed against the somber background of these events and facts, the recent sermonizing by President Nehru, in which he claimed that *"Russia's call not to make Middle East regions the battleground of pacts, armies and military approaches was reasonable,"* betrays a split between rationality and reality as vast relatively as the gulf in space between the moon and the sun. The call of the Kremlin might be called reasonable provided all other relevant factors were equal, but they are not equal. What Mr. Nehru and other idealists fail to see is that the Communist plan for world revolu-

tion, from the date of its inception in 1917, has been a dynamically aggressive ideology the continued existence of which depended upon taking the initiative in offensive tactics and in maintaining this offensive by cold war, hot war or any other means until the objective for which it came into being was attained.

The Soviet Solution

Thus the subtlety of Soviet tactics was strikingly exemplified when, three days prior to his replacement by Mr. Gromyko as Foreign Minister, Mr. Shepilov—whose voice has been said to charm a bird off a tree—delivered himself of the following hypnotic oration:

"Peaceful co-existence is the cornerstone of Soviet foreign policy, and the only sensible solution is that the ruling powers of the capitalist world should finally give up all intentions of rolling back Communism and embark upon the road of peaceful co-existence. In conformity with this demand, the Soviet government will continue to display in its policy the utmost patience and persistence."

The sweet reasonableness of this "demand," however, is somewhat brutally blunted when we find that a mailed fist is disclosed beneath the velvet glove. Thus Shepilov concluded with the admonition:

"Imperialists, realizing that the Communist countries were becoming increasingly powerful, have resorted to the poisoned weapon of anti-popular conspiracies and war gambles. But it would be an act of sheer madness to raise the sword against the powerful stronghold of Communism, manned by a garrison of nine hundred million people, centering on the Soviet-Chinese alliance."

The Hosts of Gog

It so happens that in a modern scientific civilization the magnitude of potential power can no longer be assessed alone in terms of size or numerical superiority. Stripped of exaggeration, however, the statement of Soviet might in man power available certainly confirms the fact that the phrase, *"and many people with thee,"* used by Ezekiel the Prophet in describing the descent of the hosts of Gog upon Palestine from *"the land of the North,"* if no exaggeration, is by no means an understatement either.

As if to make one last supreme attempt at convincing the West that the Soviet demand for co-existence was not placatory but insistent, Mr. Shepilov produced as his peroration the following imprecation:

"The Soviet Union, while continuing its peaceful efforts, would strengthen its armed forces and firmly grip in its hand a rifle. And not only a rifle!"

The long and the short answer to this fulmination is simple. If the peace-loving leaders of the Soviet Union shrink from having *"a poisoned weapon"* pointed at them, all they need to do is to desist from their persistent penetration of the peace-loving democracies with pernicious propaganda. In no field has this insidious technique of pointing a finger at the other fellow, so as to accuse him of doing what one is really doing oneself, been more brazenly pursued by Communist propaganda specialists than in relation to the Arab-Israeli quarrel or Zionist dispute. As a conse-

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When Good Men Disagree

PART II

By C. R. DICKEY

LAST MONTH we discussed two articles which appeared in *Christianity Today*, December 24, 1956. One was written by Dr. Oswald T. Allis on the subject, "Israel's Transgression in Palestine"; the other was written by Dr. Wilbur M. Smith on the subject "Israel in Her Promised Land." Dr. Allis believes that the Israeli state does not have a clear title to Palestine under the Abrahamic Covenant; on the contrary, Dr. Smith believes that it does, and that the present occupation is an indisputable fulfillment of the prophecies concerning Israel's return to the land.

Thus two men of recognized ability and sincerity disagree as to the place of God's Israel in the world today. This is a question of supreme importance, one which may well determine the course of many nations; yet it is the most misunderstood of all the problems which now threaten the peace and freedom of mankind.

Before we can determine the Scriptural accuracy of the positions held by these two theologians, we must discover what each one means by his use of the word "Israel." Oddly enough, we find that they agree on the very points which lie at the roots of their disagreement. Both accept without question the long-accepted supposition that all Israelites are Jews—and all Jews are Israelites. Both infer that the words *Israel*, *Israeli*, *Judah*, *Jews* and *Zionists* are synonymous, and that all may be used interchangeably when referring to the twelve tribes of Jacob-Israel, who were the recipients of the Abrahamic Covenant and blessings. Although both men rate as specialists in Old Testament history and prophecy, neither one calls attention to the divergent roles which the houses of Israel, Judah and Joseph

were to play on the world stage "in the latter days."

Dr. Allis is rightly concerned about the reprehensible character of certain Jews, especially citizens of the Israeli state, and their treatment of the Arabs. He feels that their actions are unworthy of an inheritance under the Abrahamic Covenant. We, too, believe that most of the Jews now inhabiting Palestine have no inheritance in the land, but not for the same reason which Dr. Allis holds. Unfortunately, he builds his argument on the faulty premise that the promise to Abraham was conditioned on obedience. We believe a careful study will show that the promise of the *land* to Israel was unconditional, and that the title deed would never become the heritage of another people.

Now the *blessings* under the covenant are another matter. The blessings were, and still are, conditioned on obedience to the will of God. It is clearly stated from Genesis to the end of Revelation that disobedience will always bring severe punishment upon Israel, though it does not void God's gift of His Holy Land and City. Disobedience is related to penalties and repentance—and not to ownership of the land.

Genesis 12: 1-3 records the call of Abraham and the promise of national greatness. No condition is stipulated. God simply states what He is going to do. In Genesis 13: 14-17, it is written that God said to Abram:

"Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward: for all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever. . . . Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for I will give it unto thee."

Again not a word is said about the gift being conditioned on obedience.

It is true that Abraham could be trusted. He was a man of outstanding faith and righteousness; therefore, God selected him as the party of the second part in the covenant.

"Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee. . . . And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee. And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God." (Gen. 17: 5, 7-8.)

It is not stated or implied in any terms of the covenant that the *behavior* of Abraham's descendants, however unworthy it may be at times, will suffice to nullify the everlasting covenant which God made with Abraham. Even faithful Abraham was not justified by works, as Paul points out in Romans 4: 1-3:

"What shall we say then that Abraham our father, as pertaining to the flesh, hath found? For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath whereof to glory; but not before God. For what saith the scripture? Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness."

Dr. Allis cites Genesis 26: 3-5 in support of his position. Yet when we turn to the context of this verse we read that God said to Isaac:

"Sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries . . . and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because that *Abraham* obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws."

Hence the oath concerning the land was confirmed in the faith and righteousness of Abraham alone. The subsequent *blessings* which the covenant people enjoy will be conditioned on obedience, but their disobedience does not alter their title deed to the land. The same facts are borne out in God's statements to Jacob in Genesis 28: 12-18 and 35: 9-12.

Concerning the views of Dr. Smith, we believe that he is right in his argument that "This promise to Israel of Palestine as a permanent possession, often repeated in the Old Testament, is at no time canceled." Dr. Smith's error, it seems to us, lies in the belief that God has turned all His holy places over to His avowed enemies; indeed, to a people who bear no marks of true Israel. Evidently Dr. Smith finds no problem on this score, due to his belief that all the Jews will be gloriously converted to Christ "in a day" at the time of His return.

The basic error in both articles is the failure of the authors to make a distinction between Biblical Israel and modern Jewry. Have they not learned that many prominent and scholarly Jews know this distinction and are now trying to present facts despite violent opposition?

What Price Israel, published in 1953 by the Henry Regnery Company, is an excellent example of information on the subject. The publisher says of the book and its author:

"American Jewry has been divided into two camps as the result of the establishment of the State of Israel. The Zionists have applied political pressures and anti-Zionists charge that they have suppressed a frank and free discussion of the implications of the new Jewish homeland for all Jews.

"Alfred M. Lilienthal, an American of Jewish faith, explores in this book the political, religious, and moral problems posed by the creation of a state based on the theory of Jewish nationality. He reviews the background of Jewish religious tradition and its inherent conflicts with political Zionism. He takes issue with certain claims of Zionism as they affect him and his fellow Jews in this country." (Third Printing: Inside Front Cover.)

In his chapter on "The Racial Myth," Mr. Lilienthal writes:

"The word 'Semite' originally designated a descendent of Shem, one of the sons of Noah, and has been applied to certain ancient (no longer existing) people as well as to Arabs and Jews. Incorrect semantic usage has given a racial meaning to a linguistic term, and a further malapropism has included in that meaning all followers of the Judaistic faith, most of whom do not understand ancient or modern Hebrew. And, surely, a knowledge of Yid-

dish could not make a person a Semite: that dialect (rather than a language) is a combination of the dialect spoken in lower Germany with Hebrew and Slavic. . . .

"Twelve tribes started in Canaan about thirty-five centuries ago; and not only that, ten of them disappeared—more than half of the members of the remaining two tribes never returned from their 'exile' in Babylon. How, then can anybody claim to descend directly from that relatively small community which inhabited the Holy Land at the time of Abraham's covenant with God?

"The Jewish racial myth flows from the fact that the words *Hebrew*, *Israelite*, *Jew*, *Judaism*, and the *Jewish people* have been used synonymously to suggest a historic continuity. But this is a misuse. These words refer to different groups of people with varying ways of life in different periods of history. *Hebrew* is a term correctly applied to the period from the beginning of Biblical history to the settling in Canaan. *Israelite* refers correctly to the members of the twelve tribes of Israel. The name *Yehudi* or *Jew* is used in the Old Testament to designate members of the tribe of Judah, descendants of the fourth son of Jacob, as well as to denote citizens of the Kingdom of Judah, particularly at the time of Jeremiah and under the Persian occupation. Centuries later, the same word came to be applied to anyone, no matter of what origin, whose religion was Judaism." (From pages 214-216.)

Judaism became a tremendous proselytizing force in the pagan world, says Mr. Lilienthal, despite the narrow nationalism of some Jewish leaders. Most of these proselytes, he adds, were peoples "who had never possessed any racial, lingual or cultural affinity with Israel." These converts included such diverse peoples as Yemenites and Greeks, Germanic tribes in Central and Eastern Europe, "particularly Poland and Western Russia." He continues as follows:

"Perhaps the most significant mass conversion to the Judaic faith occurred in Europe, in the eighth century A.D., and that story of the Khazars (Turko-Finnish people) is quite pertinent to the establishment of the modern State of Israel. This partly nomadic people, probably related to the Volga Bulgars, first appeared in Trans-Caucasia in the second century. They settled in what is now Southern Russia, between the Volga and the Don, and then spread to the shores of the Black, Caspian and Azov seas. . . .

"Jews who had been banished from Constantinople by the Byzantine ruler, Leo III, found a home amongst these heretofore pagan Khazars and, in competition with Mohammedan and Christian missionaries, won them over to the Judaic faith. Bulan, the ruler of Khazaria, became converted to Judaism around 740 A.D. His nobles and, somewhat later, his people followed suit. Some details of these events are contained in letters exchanged between Khagan Joseph of Khazaria and R. Hasdai Ibn Shaprut of Cordova, doctor and quasi foreign minister to Sultan Abd al-Rahman, the Caliph of Spain. This correspondence was first published in 1577 to prove that the Jews still had a country of their own—namely, the Kingdom of Khazaria. Judah Halevi knew of the letters even in 1140. Their authenticity has since been established beyond doubt. . . .

"... These 'Ashkenazim Jews' (as Jews of Eastern Europe are called), whose numbers were swelled by Jews who fled from Germany at the time of the Crusades and during the Black Death, have little or no trace of Semitic blood.

"... The home to which Weizmann, Silver and so many other Ashkenazim Zionists have yearned to return has most likely never been theirs. 'Here's a paradox, a paradox, a most ingenious paradox': in anthropological fact, many Christians may have much more Hebrew-Israelite blood in their veins than most of their Jewish neighbors." (From pages 219-223.)

H. G. Wells' *The Outline of History*, first published in 1920, contains this confirmation of the views stated by Mr. Lilienthal:

"... There can be little doubt that the scattered Phoenicians in Spain and Africa and throughout the Mediterranean, speaking as they did a language closely akin to Hebrew and being deprived of their authentic political rights, became proselytes to Judaism. For phases of vigorous proselytism alternated with phases of exclusive jealousy in Jewish history. On one occasion the Idumeans, being conquered, were all forcibly made Jews. There were Arab tribes who were Jews in the time of Muhammad, and a Turkish people who were mainly Jews in South Russia in the ninth century. . . . It is to the Phoenician contingent and to Aramean accessions in Babylon that the financial and commercial tradition of the Jews is to be ascribed. . . . The main part of Jewry never was in Judea and had never come out of Judea." (Pp. 493-494.)

Both Dr. Allis and Dr. Smith insist that the Zionist program in Palestine must be viewed *not as a political question* but as a *religious* one. It may surprise them to learn that many prominent Jews disagree with them on this point. In fact, the main purpose of Mr. Lilienthal's book is to prove with documentary evidence that Zionism is strictly a political movement and not primarily a religious issue. Religion is stressed by the Zionists, of course, but only for the purpose of deception. Religious issues can be fanned to keep the pot boiling for Jews, Christians or Moslems as needed to accomplish their aims at the moment. When Zionist leaders say, "The Bible is our mandate," they are merely trying to enlist the aid of deluded Christians in promoting their world-wide political ambitions. "A home land for all Israel" is the cry during their annual drives to pull millions of dollars from the pockets of American Jews.

In 1955, Dr. Elmer Berger, a Rabbi and Executive Director of the American Council for Judaism, made a tour of the Middle Eastern States. His daily reports to the Council while on tour have been compiled in a little book titled *Who Knows Better Must Say So*. It is most interesting and revealing. Like Mr. Lilienthal, Dr. Berger deplors the political machinations of the Zionists in the Middle East and in the United States as well. He says that he met many people of good will in the Arab states; and that the "big irritant" in the Arab-Israeli problem is Zionism. Concerning his visit to Syria, he relates the following incident:

"I met the Prime Minister of Syria and the Minister of Information and Propaganda. I also met a number of the most important Moslem and Christian religious leaders. These were all fascinating meetings. One of the Moslem leaders, after hearing our views about Judaism, said something which Hays Solis-Cohen and Irving Reichert and others have often said. He expressed very great regret that the Zionist state had adopted the religious name 'Israel.' 'This makes it difficult for me,' he said, 'when I read the Koran.' I told him that we Jews experienced the same difficulty when we recited many of our prayers."

The Zionist program is not only
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a threat to world peace, it is extremely dangerous to the future welfare of Jews themselves, as men like Mr. Lilienthal and Dr. Berger well know. A few statements from *What Price Israel* will show where this danger lies:

"In solemn policy declarations, David Ben-Gurion publicly announced what Jewish nationalists have privately been saying since the days of Herzl: that *all* the world's Jews must 'go home.' These were not extemporaneous remarks of an irresponsible person; these were statements of the Prime Minister of the sovereign State of Israel who, as the top leader in the World Zionist movement, speaks with ultimate authority on Zionist dogma.

"On August 31, 1949, David Ben-Gurion had this to say to a group of Americans visiting Israel: 'Although we realized our dream of establishing a Jewish State, we are still at the beginning. Today there are only 900,000 Jews in Israel, while the greater part of the Jewish people are still abroad. *It consists of bringing all Jews to Israel. We appeal to the parents to help us bring their children here. Even if they decline to help, we will bring the youth to Israel; but I hope that this will not be necessary.*'

"... Dr. Israel Goldstein, in the guise of voicing Israeli complaints against American Jews, asked: 'What are American Jews waiting for? Are they waiting for a Hitler to force them out? Do they imagine that they will be spared the tragedies which have forced Jews of other lands to emigrate?'

This brings up another question: namely, Did Zionist leaders themselves use Hitler to impose a pogrom on Jews in Germany to further their own evil plans?

Mr. Lilienthal and Dr. Berger cite the high-powered fund-raising drives among American Jews and non-Jews as proof of Zionism's political racketeering. Although *What Price Israel* has much to say on this subject, we shall take time for only one pertinent quotation:

"... In a letter dated January 11, 1951, former Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., opened the Israel Bond drive with the assertion that it was a matter of the utmost 'patriotism as Americans and as Jews to see to it that this Israel Government Bond issue is a success.' But, one may politely ask, since when is the private financing of a foreign government a patriotic American duty?" (P. 185.)

The question now before us is whether or not the present occupation of Palestine constitutes a fulfillment of the prophecies concerning Israel's return to the land under the Abrahamic Covenant. We believe that the Bible, when permitted to tell its own story, gives a forthright and unequivocal answer to this question. We have discussed briefly the history and aims of the people who claim Palestine at the present time. Let us examine the Scriptures for a few identifying marks of Israel in the latter days of her history and see how the records correspond.

During the latter days, or Christian Era, the peoples of the Abrahamic Covenant were to become an innumerable multitude in the earth: as the dust of the earth (Gen. 13: 16); as the stars of the heaven, and the sand upon the sea shore (Gen. 15: 5; 22: 17; 28: 13-15; Hosea 1: 10). Israel was to become also "a nation and a company of nations" (Gen. 35: 9-15). The Jews are comparatively few in number, only some fifteen or sixteen million, according to their own figures. They are neither a great nation nor a company of nations.

Abraham was to become "a father of many nations"; and Sarah "a mother of nations" (Gen. 17: 5, 16). This certainly could not be said of Jews, either in the past or present.

The nation and the company of nations promised to Jacob were to evolve from an unprecedented expansion of the House of Joseph (Gen. 48: 13-20; 49: 22-26; Deut. 33: 13-17; I Chron. 5: 1-2). It is truly a remarkable fact that all the prophecies and promises concerning Joseph have been actually fulfilled in the United States and the British Commonwealth—and never before by any other people or nations. By no stretch of the imagination can the Jews be fitted into this plan. Besides having no semblance of the national qualifications, they are not the descendants of Joseph.

Latter-day Israel was to be called in Isaac's name, that is, Saxons (Gen. 21: 12; Amos 7: 9, 16; Rom. 9: 7). The Jews have never called themselves by the name of Isaac; but, strange to say, Christians today inconsistently call themselves both Gentiles and Saxons.

Israel was to come under the

New Covenant and rejoice in Christ (Jer. 31: 27-34; Isa. 45: 17, 25; 49: 1-12; Acts 5: 29-32; Rom. 11: 25-27). Note that the New Covenant, like the Old, was made with the House of Israel. The New Covenant was mediated by Jesus Christ, and is re-stated in its entirety in Hebrews 8: 8-12 (see also Heb. 9: 15 and 12: 24). Simeon, in Luke 2: 32, refers to Christ as "a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel." Christ has been the glory of Christians for nearly two thousand years, but He has never been the glory of the Jews.

The New Covenant and its Mediator were rejected by the leaders of Jewry. As a consequence, Christ declared that he would take the Kingdom of God from them and give it to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof (Matt. 21: 43). Furthermore, He identified the people to whom He gave the Kingdom as "the lost sheep of the house of Israel" (Matt. 15: 24); in other words, "the twelve tribes scattered abroad"—including the major portion of Judah—who never returned to Samaria and Palestine after the Captivities. These are the "elect" peoples to whom James and Peter addressed their Epistles. Jews have never identified themselves with Israel's "lost tribes."

The fact that Anglo-Saxon nations and kindred peoples of Western Europe do not know who they are, racially speaking, is a fulfillment of prophecy, for the children of Israel were to lose the knowledge of their origin (Hosea 2: 6). The prophet declared that in the very place where they say they are not God's Israel, they will call themselves the sons of the living God. (Hos. 1: 10; 2: 23; Rom. 9: 25-26). So today, we find great nations of kindred people declaring they are not Israel—yet—at the same time, designating themselves racially as Anglo-Saxons, and spiritually as sons of the living God, or Christians. How perfectly we fulfill prophecy even in our blindness!

Israel has commissioned to represent God in all generations and to carry the Gospel of Christ to the world (Gen. 28: 14; Isa. 27: 6; 43: 1, 9-12; 49: 6; Micah 5: 7; Matt. 28: 16-20; Acts 1: 8).

"But now thus saith the Lord that created thee, O Jacob, and he that

formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine. . . . Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen." (Isa. 43: 1, 10.)

More than ninety per cent of all Christian missionary work is being done by English-speaking Christians. The sacred Books of the Old and New Covenants circle the globe in more than a thousand languages today through the American and British Bible Societies. Needless to say, the Jews—except the few who have accepted Christ—are doing none of these things.

The foregoing marks of identification are far from complete. However, they will suffice to show that the Bible specifications pertaining to Israel do not fit modern Jewry. In the face of these basic facts, it seems incredible that theologians have not always been able to see the absurdity of trying to confine the wide historic and prophetic range of the Bible within the limited scope of a few million scattered Jews.

We have seen how good men sometimes disagree on Biblical problems of grave concern to the entire world. It seems to us that Dr. Allis is wrong in his contention that ownership of the Holy Land is no longer important; and right when he objects to supporting the Israeli claim to possession of the land. Dr. Smith, we believe, is right in his position that ownership of the land is still valid; and wrong in thinking that it belongs to the Khazar-Edomite-Zionists who hold it at present. Contrast conditions in the Middle East now with the peace and justice which prevailed during the years when Britain held the Mandate over Palestine.

"Alone," says Mr. Lilienthal, "the Zionists would never have settled Palestine. Palestine was settled by the

coalition efforts of Anglo-Saxon Christians (such as Balfour, Lloyd George, Winston Churchill), who were powerfully moved by the Anglo-Saxon's devotion to the Old Testament, and outstanding non-Zionist Jewish families of the Western world, whose Judaic traditions made philanthropy the crowning justification of their wealth." (*What Price Israel*, p. 174.)

Hear also the Prophet Isaiah:

"Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the Lord: look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged. Look unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah that bare you: for I called him alone, and blessed him, and increased him." (Isa. 51: 1-2.)

The following paragraph from *One Man's Destiny*,* pages 302-3, calls attention to the need for agreement on vital truths:

Pastors everywhere are lamenting the indifference of their flocks. Many are asking, When and how will another great religious awakening come? It will come when the ministers themselves awake to the real message of the Bible, and begin to see its plans operating through Israel in modern times just as plainly as in the days of Moses, David and Solomon. The next sweeping world revival will come when Christian Anglo-Saxons under the New Covenant realize that they too are Abraham's posterity—the children of those ancient Israelites who walked with God under the Old Covenant. These truths will renew in men's minds a dynamic faith in the Bible as the very Word of God; they will create a hunger for more knowledge of God's plans and a thirst for His righteousness; they will remove God's Kingdom from the fanciful realm of imagination and put it into a world of reality where its principles and laws may function in the little shops on Main Street and in the senatorial chambers and parliaments of great nations. "Thy Kingdom come—on earth—as in heaven." Until ministers are ready to take these revitalizing and neglected truths into their pulpits there will be little response to any type of evangelism. Isaiah urges God's latter-day people—that is, Christians—to examine their own records and find out who they are.

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SHEPILOV's dismissal is closely linked with the situation in the Middle East. His position as Foreign Minister was based on the Kremlin view that he was "the man who knows his way with the Arabs," and he was firmly established in this reputation by his successful arms deal with Nasser in 1955. It was to vest him with the authority to pursue Russia's delicate schemes in the Middle East that he was made Foreign Minister. Molotov could never have carried out the job. He is too inflexible a character.

It is reported that there are some strong influences in the United States State Department which are telling the President that his new doctrine for the Middle East has already filled the power vacuum and eased the tension. Encouragement of this belief would exactly suit Russia's desire to divert attention from the realities of the Middle East situation. These influences—together with those in the British Foreign Office who are desperately clinging to the last shreds of British-Arab relationships and are ready to risk smashing Israel in order to do so—are encouraging a dangerously mistaken idea that the Middle East crisis can be resolved by making concessions to the Arabs. It is, therefore, necessary to restate the basic, unalterable facts of the situation.

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The Indian sub-continent today is second only to the Middle East as a hatchery of world war. Kashmir overshadows everything there and, in spite of restraint by the Pakistan government and peaceful words from Nehru, a violent war fever is spreading among both nations. It is to Russia's interest to fan these flames. The arrival in India of a famous Russian marshal for apparently secret staff talks could be calculated to instill among the Indian people a comfortable feeling that, if it comes to war with Pakistan, or even with the West, they will have the immense military support of the Soviet Union. Zhukov's visit, in fact, was not so much to Nehru himself or to the Indian General Staff, though important talks with politicians and soldiers were held. It was really a visit to the Indian people as a whole, to reassure them with the feeling that they will not be militarily isolated in the event of a showdown with Pakistan or with the UN. The impressive presence of Zhukov was, in fact, intended to strengthen the truculence of the Indian people, thus strengthening the hands of the war party who are pushing Nehru on. Russia has everything to gain and little to lose by an Indo-Pakistani war.

It is not merely a question of Moslem solidarity, though this is certainly very strongly felt in Pakistan. The future of Kashmir is a matter of economic life or death for West Pakistan. Water is the crux of the matter. Readers who know the Punjab know that its very existence as a habitable land depends on the "five

rivers" from which it takes its name—i.e., the Jhelum, Chenab, Ravi, Beas and Sutlej.

Where these rivers, mostly by British enterprise, have been diverted into irrigation canals, the Punjab and Sind have both been turned from useless desert into highly fertile farmlands. In areas not yet reached by canals, the land is still absolute desert. If ever the water supply is turned off, the entire country will quickly relapse into desert again. The idea of diverting these five huge rivers, so that they no longer flow through Pakistan, may seem fantastic; but, with modern engineering and the present importance of hydroelectric power, such a development is a very real danger for Pakistan if India retains possession of the upper waters. Already, India has diverted a serious proportion of the output of the River Sutlej. By tunneling, similar diversions, even of the Jhelum (the most westerly), are perfectly feasible engineering propositions.

Such a plan would serve a double purpose for India. It would starve Pakistan into submission and immensely increase India's own fertility and industrial power. Quite apart from the justice of the quarrel, Pakistan simply cannot afford to trust India with the control of the five rivers. There is little doubt that Pakistan wishes to avoid war at almost any cost short of national suicide. But whether the government will be able to restrain indefinitely the passions of the Pakistani people (particularly the Pathans and the "Azad" Kashmiris themselves) is quite another matter.

Though Pakistan officially remains commendably patient, the patience of many less responsible elements is rapidly running out. Sardar Abdul Qayyum, President of Azad Kashmir, has openly warned all concerned that he cannot hold the men of Poonch much longer and has emphasized that not even the UN can forbid Kashmiris to fight for liberation of their own country. Knowing the fighting qualities of Kashmiris, this threat must be taken at its face value, but at least a few desperate Azad Kashmiris could set the whole sub-continent aflame.

More serious than this are the rumblings from tribal territory as far south as the Zhob. Here, Pakistan has formidable material for a large scale cold war without officially transgressing the principles of the UN at all. As time drifts on without effective UN action, the temptation for Pakistani firebrands to make use of the Pathan tribes may become too strong to be resisted. In actual fact, all faith in the UN as an effective force has been completely abandoned, both in India and Pakistan. Eventual war is almost certain unless the UN miraculously comes to life again.

Russia strongly disfavours any settlement of the Kashmir dispute favorable to Pakistan. Russia has consistently encouraged Indian intransigence and will continue to do so in order to put Pakistan's life—and therefore her value as a keystone in the arch of Indian Ocean and Moslem belt strategy—at India's mercy.

The latest Russo-Czech agreement puts Czechoslovakia in a unique position amongst the satellites—politically, militarily and economically. In the political field the Moscow talks underlined the complete identity of views between Moscow and the Prague Government, both as to party ideology and international affairs.

Czechoslovakia is now the number one satellite. The Czech Communist party has been apparently unshaken by events in Poland and Hungary, but its leaders know that to stick to the Moscow line is a matter of life or death for them. Besides this, the Czechs, as Slavs, have certain emotional ties with Russia.

Situated between Poland and Hungary, Czechoslovakia forms a barrier between two centers of unrest within the Communist bloc. With constantly improving Czech-East German relations, the ring is closing around Poland, whereas Prague now has a specially privileged position within the Soviet sphere of influence. More than ever before, moves and decisions in Prague are a faithful reflection of Moscow's policy.

Military cooperation also is close. The threats against West German rearmament have served a double purpose. They have provided pretexts for reinforcing the Warsaw Pact and increasing "defensive preparedness," and also for a Czech guarantee of help for the East German Government should it be threatened by Western Germany. The Czech guarantee is also directed toward keeping Poland under control. Any discussions between Bonn and Warsaw about the Oder-Neisse frontier could easily be interpreted as a threat to East Germany's vital interests. There has recently been considerable new military building and enlargement of existing military and air bases, which some observers say is in preparation for the stationing of Russian forces in Czechoslovakia.

The remarkable development of the Rhodesia area deserves far greater attention than has yet been given to it. The Central African area commands a potential trading position superior to any other in relationship to the world's markets. Its position is likewise of very great immediate defensive strength. It is the most nearly invulnerable anywhere. When the Kariba dam is finished, Southern Rhodesia will also have the cheapest electric power in the world and will attract very many new industries. It is to be doubted whether atomic power will be able to compete. Its mineral resources are far more considerable than was supposed and are in process of remarkable development. One day soon, the extent of these immensely valuable assets is going to stagger many people who have not watched carefully enough. Although sufficient railways are still lacking, this will be corrected on a very big scale in future years. Taking all in all, few, if any, situations offer greater prospects. Already, Salisbury is on the way to becoming a very great city with every modern advantage and development.

A final note of political warning to Great Britain is necessary. Any responsible Rhodesian will tell the visitor that, if Great Britain ever votes in another Socialist government, the Central African Federation will at once break away from all associations with Britain except the Crown. That should be borne in mind.

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Nations in Travail

By WILLIAM O. LAY, JR.

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AS THE Mideast impasse tautened during February, economic overtones of the global crisis sounded ever more ominously. In Washington a flood of public protests over President Eisenhower's monstrous spend-and-spend welfare state budget inundated Congressional offices. The New York stock exchange, reflecting widespread jitteriness in the business world, underwent a sharp break which plunged market values to their lowest point since October 1955. And Great Britain, in dire economic straits, announced a cut in its armed forces stationed in Germany.

All these served to underscore the fundamental fact that the crisis, despite its multifarious facets, is a unified whole with a single specific object in view. Events on the strategic, economic and sociological fronts all interact upon one another. But each step plays its part in bringing to judgment the world order founded on human arrogance and perversity.

When the time-patterns underlying events are charted, the data more and more stresses that the 1957-58 period is the climactic confluence of many outstanding chronological cycles. These link back to a host of notable waymarks, including the First World War epoch, the May 1948 period which saw the formation of the Zionist state and outbreak of the Arab-Jewish war, and the particularly-marked August 20, 1953 King's Chamber terminal when Russia disclosed her first H-bomb test. In unbroken sequence these time-periods mark the approach of the Biblically-foretold supreme struggle of the ages.

The Western Big Three, still working at cross-purposes, were at odds during February over whether the Israelis should be compelled to yield the Gaza Strip and a foothold on the Gulf of Aqaba without ironclad security guarantees. France in particular championed the Israelis, while the United States worked obstinately to force a withdrawal. The Washington administration, seeking to drum up support for the Eisenhower Mideast doctrine, entertained King Saud of Saudi Arabia and Crown Prince Amir Abdul Ilan of Iraq.

The Eisenhower-Saud talks opened on January 30, exactly eight times 390 days after the July 16, 1948 Jerusalem truce. This, in turn, fell 9 x 1260 days lunar (tribulation) after British forces entered Jerusalem in December 1917, thereby signaling the end of the "Times of the Gentiles." Eight is the number of renewal, while 390 signifies Israel's chastisement (bottom of Chart XVIII).

UN and Israeli forces clashed in the Gaza Strip on February 1. The date was 2 x 286 days lunar (displacement) after the Geneva "Summit" Conference opened

on July 18, 1955 and 2 x 286 days before August 27, 1958. This important terminal will be 2520 days (trial or probation) after the British abandoned their oil installations at Abadan on October 3, 1951 (bottom of Chart XIX).

The Israeli cabinet, on February 3, decided to keep troops in Gaza despite a sixth UN Assembly resolution calling for their withdrawal. This was 1290 days lunar (desolation) after Russia first tested an H-bomb on August 12, 1953 and 1290 plus 666 days after Iran took over Britain's Abadan installations on September 27, 1951. The 666 factor, the number of human imperfection and apostasy, connotes the world order now being swept to destruction (desolation) by the resistless tide of events. Note from Chart XX (top) that September 27, 1951 was 9 x 1290 days solar after the Versailles Treaty was signed. Nine is the number of finality or judgment.

In Washington, King Saud assured President Eisenhower that Saudi Arabia would look to the United States rather than Russia for military aid.

At the conclusion of their talks on February 8, President Eisenhower and King Saud announced agreement on a new five-year lease for the strategic American air base at Dhahran, and on U. S. arms shipments to Saudi Arabia. And in Tel Aviv, the Israelis insisted that Egypt must agree to "full abstention" from belligerency if the deadlocked troop withdrawal issue were to be resolved.

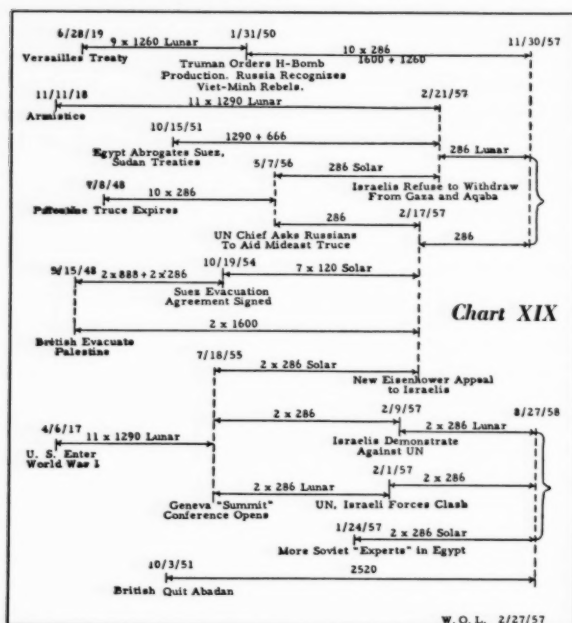
These developments fell 4 x 390 days (Israel's chastisement) after the November 1, 1952 American H-bomb test and 666 days lunar after the Bandung conference of Afro-Asian leaders closed on April 24, 1955 (Chart XVIII).

Israelis, on February 9, demonstrated in cities, towns and villages in support of their government's policy of firmness in the Gaza-Aqaba dispute. The date was 2 x 286 days after the Geneva "Summit" Conference opened and 2 x 286 days lunar before August 27, 1958, which will be 2520 days after the British quit Abadan (Chart XIX).

The sudden drop on the New York Stock Exchange on February 11, 1957, symptomatic of sharper shocks to befall the inflation-ridden world economic system as the crisis intensifies, fell exactly 1290 days lunar (desolation) after the August 20, 1953 King's Chamber terminal when Russia announced her first H-bomb test. Equally significant is the lunar 666 interval extending from February 11 to November 29, 1958. This date will be 1260 days solar (tribulation) after May 31, 1955 when the rail strike in Great Britain resulted in proclamation of a national emergency (top of Chart XVIII). Note that the mean terminal of 1260 days after May 31, 1955 will be November 11, 1958, which closes a forty-year generation after the 1918 Armistice. Since the 1918 date marked the downfall of the military power of the Babylonian succession, the 1958 terminal is expected to bring events relating to the overthrow of the economic and religious phases of the Babylonian system.

In Washington, the United States proposed a new two-point plan to meet in part Israel's conditions for withdrawing from the Gaza Strip and Gulf of Aqaba.

President Eisenhower, on February 17, again appealed to the Israelis to withdraw from Egypt. The demand came after an urgent diplomatic conference in Washington failed to end the deadlock. The date was 2 x 1600 days (judgment) after the British evacuated Palestine on May 15, 1948 and 7 x 120 days solar (warning perfected) after the Suez evacuation agreement was signed on October 19, 1954 (Chart XIX).



Israeli Premier Ben-Gurion, on February 18, submitted revised proposals in answer to President Eisenhower's appeal for withdrawal from Gaza and Aqaba. Meanwhile, salvage work on the Suez Canal was halted by Egypt's insistence that the Israeli withdrawal be

These events fell 2 x 1600 days (judgment) after the May 16, 1948 Great Pyramid coffer date when designation of the first Israeli president completed formation of the Zionist state. A second link with the Great Pyramid chronograph is the solar 1260 tribulation interval separating February 18 from the August 20, 1953 King's Chamber terminal. Finally, February 18 fell 666 days after the Bandung Conference closed on April 24, 1955 (Chart XVIII).

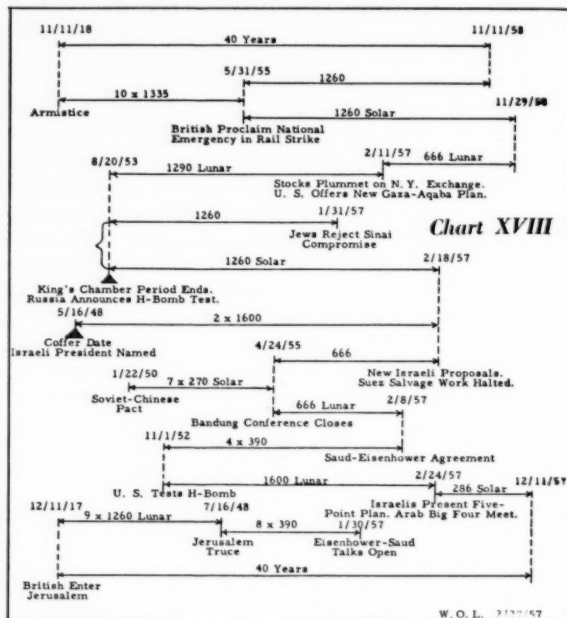


Chart XX

Timeline from 12/9/57 to 12/9/57:

- 12/9/57: Jerusalem Liberated
- 6/28/59: 2 x 1290 Solar
- 9/27/51: 1290 + 666
- 2/3/57: 2/26/57 286
- Iran Takes Over Abadan 8/12/53
- 1290 Lunar
- British Back Israelis. Arabs Riot in Egypt.
- Israelis Decide to Keep Troops in Gaza 2/22/57
- Russia Tests H-Bomb 7/23/55
- 286 Solar
- 2/14/50: 1290 + 666 Solar
- Arab States Demand Sanctions. Egypt Agrees to UN Control of Gaza.
- Soviet-Chinese Pact Signed 2 x 286
- 2/14/57
- 10/8/51: "Summit" Conference Ends 420
- 1290 + 666
- Egypt Decides to Abrogate Suez, Sudan Treaties
- British Forces in Germany Reduced 2/20/57 420 Lunar
- 10/22-23/54: 7 x 120 Solar
- 10 x 1290
- Versailles Treaty
- European Pact Concluded
- West Europe Sets Up Common Market, Atom Pool. Eisenhower Calls For Pressure on Israelis.
- 6/13-14/56 666
- 11/29/47: 8 x 390
- Palestine Partition
- British Evacuate Suez

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had no choice but to exert pressure on the Israelis to force a withdrawal from Gaza and Aqaba.

Again, on February 21, Premier Ben-Gurion rejected any demand that Israeli forces withdraw from the Gaza Strip and Gulf of Aqaba area "without assurances" for the nation's security. Meanwhile, American support of sanctions against the Israelis provoked new dissension among the Western Big Three. Both Britain and France were cool to the proposal.

These developments significantly fell on the lunar terminal of 11 (disorder or disintegration) times 1290 (desolation) days after the November 1918 Armistice. Exactly 1290 plus 666 days separate them from October 15, 1951 when Egypt abrogated her Suez and Sudan treaties with Great Britain. Finally, February 21 was 286 days solar after May 7, 1956 and 286 days lunar before November 30, 1957 (Chart XIX).

Six Afro-Asian nations, on February 22, asked the UN to impose sanctions on the Israelis for refusing to withdraw from Gaza and Aqaba. On the same day Secretary-General Hammarskjöld announced that Egypt had agreed to full UN military and civil control of the Gaza Strip upon Israeli withdrawal.

Again the desolation motif marks these events, falling as they did 1290 days after August 12, 1953 when Russia tested her first H-bomb. A doubled solar displacement interval (2 x 286 days) separates them from the close of the Geneva "Summit" Conference.

Most significant of all, however, is the fact that February 22 fell precisely 286 days solar before December 9, 1957. This will be the terminal of a forty-year generation extending from the liberation of Jerusalem in 1917 (top of Chart XX). By the time this December terminal is reached, the part the Middle East crisis is to play in "displacing" the present world order should be plain to all.

The Israelis, on February 24, presented a five-point

plan comprising a new approach to the troop withdrawal issue. On the same day leaders of the Arab Big Four convened in Cairo for a series of talks. The date was 1600 days lunar (judgment) after the November 1, 1952 American H-bomb test. In addition, February 24 fell 286 days solar before December 11, 1957, which will be forty years after the British entry into Jerusalem (bottom of Chart XVIII).

In a House of Commons statement on February 26, Prime Minister Macmillan placed Great Britain firmly behind the Israeli position on the Gaza-Aqaba evacuation issue. Meanwhile, in a Cairo suburb five hundred Palestine Arab soldiers, embittered veterans from Gaza who want to fight the Israelis again, battled Egyptian police in a vain quest for arms and ammunition. And in Washington, President Eisenhower and French Premier Guy Mollet opened talks designed to ease Franco-American relations. These developments came 286 days before December 9, 1957 (Chart XX).

As the global impasse grows more formidable, and statesmen grapple futilely with problems insoluble within the present materialistic framework of official thinking, it is salutary to recognize amid the turmoil the unfaltering hand of God. Though the peril and chaos seem frightful, there is always purpose and direction beneath the turbulent surface.

"Hear, O earth: behold, I will bring evil upon this people, even the fruit of their thoughts, because they have not hearkened unto my words, nor to my law, but rejected it." (Jer. 6: 19.)

A civilization which venerates gadgets more than God, and which places scientific progress above moral staunchness, is about to reap the dire consequences of its folly. Before unregenerate mankind can destroy His handiwork, the Lord of all creation will step in with mighty acts of rectification and preserve the earth for those destined to inherit it.

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quence of this deliberately disseminated poisoned-tongue deception technique, the confusion in the public mind is now so great that hardly anyone has any real idea of what the controversy is all about or who is truly guilty of what.

Today men worship money power and man power because they have no faith in God and, if they think of God at all, it is only to dismiss the idea as representing an intangible abstraction. Yet there is a power which is greater than man power or material might or nuclear power or cosmic energy itself. This power is Divine power. It is the Divine *dynamis* of the Lord of the whole earth. And it is this power of the Lord of hosts—operating through the Hosts of the Lord—which is to be made manifest to the astonishment of all na-

tions and peoples in the coming Battle of that Great Day of God Almighty.

N. B. A reader writes asking whether or not the UN Secretary General, Mr. Hammarskjöld, could have visited Hungary without an invitation and, if so, how he could have got there. The answer to the first part of the question is: Yes, at the expense of ignoring the niceties of protocol. The answer to the second part of the question is that, like any other traveler, Mr. Hammarskjöld could have visited Austria and stepped on board any of the *Donaudampfschiff-gesellschaft* river steamers which daily navigate the Danube. Since 1954 Austria has enjoyed free navigation rights on the Danube under an agreement with Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Hungary, as well as the U.S.S.R. The Danube is an international waterway and there is nothing to prevent Mr. Hammarskjöld from visiting Budapest or even taking a trip down the Danube as far as the Black Sea, if he really wants to. From the fact that he did not do so we are free to draw our own conclusions—A. R. H.

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Q. I would appreciate any definite references in the Bible which cover the instructions to Christians that they are not to make any covenants with the heathen.

C. O. D., Wilmington, Delaware

A. There are no such instructions delivered to individuals, for as Christians it is our duty to contact the heathen and carry to them the glad tidings of the Word of the Lord. We are to make known to them that Jesus Christ is their Saviour, through whom salvation has been provided for all. Jesus commissioned His disciples to go into all the world and preach the Gospel. It is, therefore, our privilege as Christians to conform with the requirements of this task.

However, the making of covenants is another matter altogether, for this is an act of government. Addressing the nation, not the individual, God forbade His people to enter into covenant relationships with the nations around them:

"Thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor with their gods." (Ex. 23: 32.)

The observance of this prohibition was directed to the government of His people as a policy of conduct in the administration of national affairs. They were to refrain from entering into leagues and agreements with other nations in order that they might not become subject to doing the bidding of the heathen. Leagues and covenants entered into among nations carry with them the obligation to collaborate closely in their effective implementation. This might lead to enslavement in their pagan philosophies which were based upon their religion; or to at least tolerating their idolatrous way of life which was an abomination to the Lord. God foresaw this almost inevitable consequence and He wanted His people to be completely free from

such obligations in order that they might function as a nation in accordance with His statutes and obey all of His commandments.

It is essential to classify the obligations of government as apart from individual responsibilities. Until one does this in relation to the instructions given in the Bible, there is apt to be much confusion in attempting to understand the meaning of what is set forth in regard to personal activities and national conduct.

Q. How can we assume that Jerusalem has been liberated according to our Lord's prophecy in Luke 21: 24 while the old city continues to be "trodden down of the Gentiles" (Arabs) and the Jews dare not set foot therein?

G. E. S., California

A. What our Lord said, according to Luke 21: 24, was: "And Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled." Both Smith and Goodspeed and Ferrar Fenton, in their translations of this verse, render the Greek word *ethnos* as "heathen." It is translated in the King James version as "Gentiles."

The "treading down" is "trampling underfoot." The length of this trampling underfoot is translated by Smith and Goodspeed as "until the time of the heathen comes." Ferrar Fenton renders it: "until the times of the heathen are completed."

This would indicate that a *set time* would arrive that would mark the institution of those events which would lead to ultimate deliverance. The taking of Jerusalem by General Edmund Allenby, commanding the British forces, in 1917 A.D., brought only an earnest of its liberation; it was the commencement of the period that would, by its termination, see the complete liberation of the city become an accomplished fact.

The peace Great Britain undertook to establish in Palestine in 1917 proved to be but a step in this process. However, since that year did punctuate the beginning of the end as far as Gentile domination of the city and land were concerned, it fulfilled our Lord's prediction. It marked the start of the generation that was to witness the fulfillment of the Times of the Gentiles and would also witness, before the final liberation of the Holy City, the awakening of the heathen.

The ending of the Times of the Gentiles was heralded by the outbreak of hostilities in World War I. The awakening of the heathen, when Jerusalem and Palestine would be a burdensome stone in accordance with the prophecy in Zechariah 12: 1-3, is now becoming a reality.

Following 1917 the Arabs began to occupy the whole of the land of Palestine and at the same time Jewry looked toward that land with the idea of establishing themselves as a nation there. This culminated in the seizure of the land in 1948 by the Zionists when the Israeli state came into being. The subsequent conflict between Arabs and Zionists concerning who shall occupy the city of Jerusalem and exercise control over Palestine prevents either the Arab or the Jew from acquiring complete possession of the Holy City, together with undisputed domination in the land of Palestine. The antagonism between the Zionists and the Arabs prevents a peaceful solution of the problem until the rightful heirs to the land of Palestine come into the possession of their inheritance.

Those rightful heirs are neither the Zionists nor the Arabs, but Anglo-Saxon-Celtic Israel. It is the House of Israel (not the Jews) who are to exercise full authority over this heritage and this will not become an accomplished fact until the controversy with the heathen has been completely settled.

The one factor most often ignored in the application of prophecy to its fulfillment in events is the element of time necessary to bring about the completion of a prediction. The year 1917 was the end of 1335 lunar years from the beginning of the Hegira and what transpired in relation to Jerusalem, when General Allenby took the city from the Turks, re-

vealed to the world the rightful heirs to the land of Israel—the Anglo-Saxon peoples. However, because it was but the termination of a lunar time-period marking the commencement of the ending of the Times of the Gentiles, it could not bring complete liberation to that land. This would not be brought about until, as translated by Smith and Goodspeed, “the time of the heathen comes.”

The Prophet Ezekiel tells us when “the time of the heathen” would come. When that day arrived, it would bring to a climax events leading to the Great and Terrible Day of the Lord. It would be a time when Egypt would become involved in conflict. Thus the statement is made that the Word of the Lord came to Ezekiel saying:

“Son of man, prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord God; Howl ye, Woe worth [the price of] the day! For the day is near, even the day of the Lord is near, a cloudy day; *it shall be the time of the heathen*. And the sword shall come upon Egypt, and great pain shall be in Ethiopia, when the slain shall fall in Egypt.” (Ez. 30: 2-4.)

World War I preceded the revelation of the rightful heirs to the land of Israel when, at the end of 1335 lunar years from the beginning of the Hegira in 622 A.D., General Allenby succeeded in taking Jerusalem. That was on December 9, 1917. A generation of forty years later brings us to December 9, 1957. The year 1957 is 1335 solar years from 622 A.D., and the heathen are now raging.

The Psalmist asked the question: “Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?” (Ps. 2: 1.) It is because the time of the heathen has come and the Lord Himself is ready to sit in judgment over them as pointed out in this Psalm. It is indeed the time of the heathen as the nations assemble for aggressive conflict and events in Egypt take form in accordance with Ezekiel’s prediction.

The process of the liberation of Jerusalem that began in 1917 will soon be completed. Events will shortly vindicate our Lord’s pronouncement as we approach the end of the generation that was to witness the fulfillment of all that Jesus set forth in His discourse in the 24th chapter of Matthew.

Jerusalem is still being trampled underfoot as Jews and Arabs contend for possession but, as 1917 saw the revelation of its rightful heirs, so now, 40 years later, with the increase of tension in the Middle East, events are set on foot for the final act that will bring the rightful owners into possession of their inheritance. Already the nations are preparing to move toward this central land to take their place in the coming conflict of the Great and Terrible Day of the Lord. In the climax of this coming struggle, the Lord will move in His might and power to accomplish the liberation of the City where He placed His Name and make known to the nations of the world beyond refutation which people are the Israel of God who have a legal right, by Divine gift, to the land.

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Q. What do the Scriptures teach in regard to predestination, foreordination and free will? How can these be reconciled?

E. S., New York

A. Predestination is defined as the purpose or decree of God from eternity, respecting all events. Some assume this includes individuals as well, and even go so far as to say that they are accepted or rejected insofar as their salvation is concerned according to the predestination of God.

Most definitions make no distinction between foreordination and predestination. Free will, on the other hand, is the doctrine that human beings are not controlled in their inclinations and desires by physical or Divinely-imposed necessity; they may make their own choice to follow either the way of life or the way of death.

The Bible abounds with evidence that human beings are free to choose the course they will pursue. But once they are fully committed, the inevitable results of the course they have chosen will follow as night follows the day. God’s omniscience enables Him to know the choices men will make before they have made them, and the inevitable course determined by those choices makes it possible for Him to forecast in detail events to come. However, this foreknowledge of what men will do un-

der a given set of circumstances does not in any way hinder the individual from exercising his free will. The exercise of that free will merely predetermines the pattern of events and, once those events are set in motion, man cannot turn the hands of the clock backward. Foreknowledge on the part of God is, therefore, not predestination; it is simply His infinite understanding of future developments resulting from the choices men will make.

However, the outworking of the great design of God for His universe does involve His prerogative to predestine certain things to come to pass. Among them was the selection of a race as His agency to accept certain responsibilities and carry out certain Divinely-ordained purposes, the organization of His Kingdom at Mt. Sinai and the institution of His Church at Pentecost.

Many an Israelite, in the course of the history of His Kingdom, has elected to walk out from under its blessings. It was his free choice. Judas elected to forfeit the right to discipleship in his betrayal of our Lord. The fact that prophecy foretold that betrayal is evidence only of God’s foreknowledge of what Judas would determine to do under the circumstances that confronted him. Judas himself had the right of free choice and he chose that which was in accord with his desires.

God foresaw that Adam and Eve would fall into sin as the result of the choice they would make when confronted with temptation. He therefore predestined a time of probation for the human race, knowing full well that many of that race would fail to choose rightly. Thus provision was made for human failures. He foreordained that Jesus Christ would come, foreknowing how a sinful generation into which He was to be born would treat Him. But He used the evil men determined to do as a means of exalting His Son to become the Redeemer of His people and the Saviour of the world.

After the organization of the Christian Church at Pentecost, many elected to join that Church and associate themselves with the true followers of our Lord. Others elected to reject this call to service, exercising their right of free will. But in either case the Church itself, predestined

from the beginning of the world, has continued to carry on in the performance of its work from its inception at Pentecost. The exercise of the free will of the individual in no way alters this fact.

We have a few instances where the Scriptures show that men were called of God for a specific task. Jeremiah was so called before he was born, but he still had the right of choice to say whether or not he would accept the commission that was assigned to him. When informed of his call, he hesitated and the Lord brought pressure upon him by pointing out that if he refused—and as a free moral agent he had the right to refuse—he would suffer far more than would be the case if he consented to follow what God required of him. The conditions were exacting but he was free, nevertheless, to choose the course he would pursue. Needless to say, he chose to do God's will.

Paul was another who was called of the Lord for a specific task. It took drastic measures on God's part to turn Paul from the course he was following. Even in the face of the pressure applied, Paul could still have refused, but he later testified, "I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision" (Acts 26: 19).

There is placed before all men and women today the choice to become the recipients of the blessings of the predestined New Order of the Ages in the coming era when the restoration of the Kingdom of God takes place upon the earth or to become the recipients of the predestined judgment which will be the lot of those who reject its blessings. No individual is predestined to salvation or to destruction; he is free to choose the way that will terminate in blessing and reward or the way that will end in judgment and condemnation.

Q. Will you give Bible references which directly or indirectly teach that there were many races of men long before Adam?

C. R. B., Virginia

A. Actually there are no Biblical references which teach that other races of men were in existence upon the earth prior to Adam in the present world order. It is stated in I Corinthians 15: 45:

"The first man Adam was made a living soul."

That this is a reference to the creation of Adam from the dust of the earth so that he became a living soul when the Spirit of life from God entered into him is clear from I Corinthians 15: 47 which states, "The first man is of the earth."

The fact that Adam was the beginning of the human race is supported by the statement that Eve was the mother of all living:

"The man called his wife's name Eve [mother], because she was the mother of all living beings." (Gen. 3: 20, *Smith & Goodspeed Trans.*)

The Septuagint renders this verse:

"And Adam called the name of his wife Life, because she was to be the mother of all the living."

However, prior to the time when the earth became void and without form, as stated in Genesis 1: 2, which necessitated a recreation, or restoration, Jeremiah indicates that the earth had been inhabited (see Jer. 4: 23-25). Due to a cataclysmic destruction, the earth became completely uninhabitable according to this account in Jeremiah, which necessitated the reorganization of the earth as set forth in the first chapter of Genesis. In that new order, Adam and Eve were the parents of all living beings.

After the Deluge had destroyed all of the human race, except Noah and his family, Genesis 7: 23 states:

"Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark."

The statement is then made regarding Noah's sons after the Deluge:

"These three were the sons of Noah, and from them sprang the whole world." (Gen. 9: 19, *Smith & Goodspeed Trans.*)

There are those who undertake to theorize in regard to races apart from Adam as existing on earth with him, but the above Scriptures are explicit in their declaration that Adam and Eve were the first man and woman and were, therefore, the parents of the human race. After the Deluge Noah's three sons were

the progenitors of the existing human race, all of which goes to discredit the statements of those who undertake to speculate regarding a pre-Adamic race upon earth at the time that Adam came into existence.

Q. Where did the water go to that was upon the earth causing the Deluge in the days of Noah?

W. Y., District of Columbia

A. Prior to the Deluge a much greater portion of the earth's surface was dry land than is the case today. This is clearly set forth in the article, "The World That Then Was," *DESTINY* for May 1954.

It was shown in this article that the mean sea level in antediluvian times was approximately three miles lower than the mean sea level of today. This would definitely account for a tremendous volume of water now overflowing the geographical territory of the antediluvian world.

When the windows of heaven were opened (that is, the network, or woven work, of heaven was broken up), the great watery canopy surrounding the earth descended, causing the Deluge and overflowing the entire earth (see *Primogenesis*, pp. 46-51, for further detail). When the swirling waters finally came to rest, the great oceans which now exist upon our globe came into being. Also, at both the north and the south poles, what would have been a downpour of water in tropical or temperate zones would be an avalanche of ice and snow, forming the great ice caps, the original depth of which was what the record of the Deluge gives for the depth of the water at the height of the flood.

Gravity finally began to act upon this mass of water, with the result that the water tended to gravitate to the equatorial regions as the rotation of the earth exerted its influence upon it.

Great caverns underneath the earth would also account for a considerable amount of water which would seep into these cavities as the Deluge receded. This would materially reduce the volume on the surface of the globe. The storage capacity of these natural underground reservoirs is known to be enormous.

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\$500.00 for every one of the 170,000,000 individuals in our nation. Thus, if you are a citizen of a town of 2,000 inhabitants, the assessment against that town for its portion of the national spending for the coming fiscal year would be one million dollars. In a city of 40,000 inhabitants, it would be twenty million dollars.

These figures illustrate the astronomical rise in the cost of government. Actually there can be but one end to all this unless politicians institute a drastic curb in their spending—a characteristic usually quite foreign to this species of the human race. It seems to be impossible today to satisfy the insatiable demands that government is making upon individual citizens for its financial support. Already we have passed the safety zone of tax-take as our nation treads the path that ancient empires followed to their oblivion.

The question is, is it possible to apply the brakes or, if they are applied, is the acceleration toward bankruptcy so great that those brakes will burn out under the supposed deterrent of increased government spending? It is certain that, if the brakes cannot be applied or, if applied, do not hold, then the prophet's warning of the imminence of the coming collapse of our present economic system is no idle prediction incapable of fulfillment.

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TIME'S VERDICT

MEN AND NATIONS do not escape the verdict of time. David declared he was envious of the foolish when he saw how the wicked prosper (Ps. 73: 3); they apparently had more than the heart could wish for and their pride and arrogance seemed to be rewarded with even greater riches. However, continuing his contemplation, David tells how long his envy lasted:

"Until I went into the sanctuary of God; then understood I their end." (Ps. 73: 17.)

Looking ahead, he realized that the final verdict would be rendered in God's own time, with every pertinent factor taken into consideration. It took 120 years before the verdict of time verified the truth of the warning of Noah to his generation. Abraham received the promise that his seed would inherit the land of Palestine forever. But years passed before Isaac was born and even now, centuries later, the fullness of that promise has not yet been realized. Nevertheless, the ultimate verdict of time will bring to pass the fulfillment of every promise God made to His servant Abraham. We of this generation can still afford to await that verdict, knowing that when it is rendered, it will verify beyond question all the promises made to our fathers.

Often when presenting the great truths of Scriptural teaching as God leads us to see the truth, opposition arises from those steeped in ritualistic practices and denominational creeds. When unable to resolve such differences in judgment and understanding, we can always afford to await the verdict of time, for the truth is to become known as Jesus declared:

"There is nothing covered that shall not be revealed; and hid that shall not be known." (Matt. 10: 26.)

Again time is involved and we must wait. When God renders the verdict, it will show that the waters of truth have been cluttered with much that will be classified as the driftwood of traditional doctrines. It is surprising how many cling to this driftwood and even become angry when one tries to clear the way. But with the passing of time, the storm and tempest of an age coming to its close will cast all this debris upon the shore where it will be destroyed by fire.

Thereafter the living waters of truth will never again be obscured. Those who honestly seek the truth, although they may differ now because of imperfect perception, will do well to await the verdict that time will render, for in the period of the restitution of all things God will reveal the whole truth for all to hear and to understand.

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Credendum

AS YOU READ DESTINY it will be helpful to bear in mind as a fundamental tenet that it identifies the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic and kindred peoples as the House of Israel in the world today. The key to understanding the national aspect of the Bible lies in the acceptance of this basic truth. The ten-tribed Kingdom of Israel, or House of Israel, is distinct and separate from Jewry. In the Scriptures the terms "Israel," "Judah" and "Jew" are not synonymous and the course of history is widely divergent for the peoples properly classified under each of these titles.

The House of Israel is today an innumerable multitude apart from Jewry, a fact which the *Jewish Chronicle* for May 2, 1879 recognized by its reference to the ten tribes as represented by peoples who are not Jews. There it is stated: "The Scriptures speak of a future restoration of Israel, which is clearly to include both Judah and Ephraim [another term designating the House of Israel]. The problem, then, is reduced to its simplest form. The ten tribes are certainly in existence. All that has to be done is to discover which people represent them."

The information published in DESTINY provides the evidence showing that Israel left Palestine while the Jews remained. The movements of the Israel clans are traced out of the East, across Europe to their new settlement in the Isles of Britain, and then on to America. The prophets foretold Israel's westward trek and the monuments and traditions record the Divinely-guided wanderings of this people who left "waymarks" behind them as they journeyed toward their ultimate destination. Today the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples alone bear all the marks by which the House of Israel was to be known in the latter days and they have unconsciously fulfilled in their history, and do fulfill in their present-day activities, what the Word of God declares would be accomplished by them in these latter times.

It is natural that, in the presentation of facts at first thought so startling, the immediate effect of proclaiming these new (yet not new) truths will bring opposition from some quarters where past beliefs are upset. But the evidence of racial movements throughout history, and the marks set forth by which the Israel of God was to be known in modern days, are so unmistakably clear that the failure to seriously consider the evidence will jeopardize the future welfare of the Anglo-Saxon race. For if the people of this race are the lineal descendants of the northern ten-tribed Kingdom of Israel — and they are — there has been placed upon them today a responsibility they cannot escape. The failure to awaken to the knowledge of their identity and assume their responsibility as the people with whom God made His unalterable covenants, and upon whom He laid His law, will bring upon them inevitable national suffering and trouble.

Were the opponents of the identity right in their

assumptions, there would, of course, be no such responsibility; but here again it is essential that the facts be made known. This DESTINY is doing. The people themselves constitute the court of appeal and must render a decision as to whether the facts presented are correct or the objections raised are valid. It is also important to carefully consider that God Himself will pass final judgment in accordance with the verdict rendered by the people, bringing weal or woe upon the nations of Israel in days to come as the inevitable consequence of the course chosen and pursued.

Let those who are opposed to proclaiming the identity ponder well the fact that they, too, have a tremendous personal responsibility. When it is universally recognized that the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples are modern Israel, opponents of this truth who have succeeded in leading many astray, and hindered to that extent the national awakening and return to God in wholehearted acknowledgment of His sovereignty and obedience to His laws, will discover that He will not hold them guiltless.

God is not a man that He should lie and He gave His promise that Israel (He did not say Judah) would never cease to be a nation before Him. He gave the continuity of the heavenly signs as a guarantee of this (Jer. 31: 35-36). The *Jewish Chronicle* says, "Find this people" and DESTINY points to the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples in whose history the prophecies of the Scriptures pertaining to the House of Israel are all being fulfilled today.

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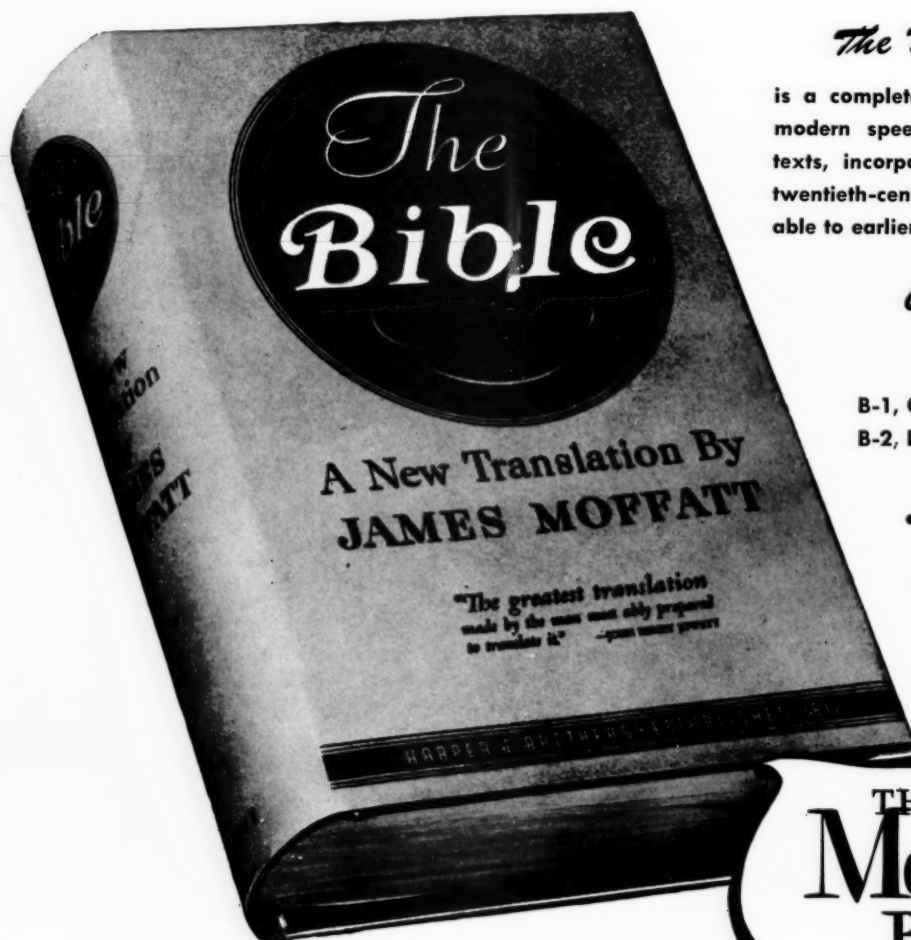
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